विवरण

(रुपये करोड़ों में)

वर्ष	परियोजनाओं की संख्या	एजेंसियों की संख्या	स्वीकृत राशि	रिलीज की गई राशि
1991-92 . . .	2505	1665	47.29	28.48
1992-93 . . .	2408	1646	45.49	36.04
1993-94 . . .	2331	1690	58.29	55.02
कुल : . . .	7244	5001	151.07	119.54

Scheme of Assistance to Rural Women in non-farm Development

2430. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) how many persons were benefited under the Scheme of Assistance to Rural Women in Non-Farm Development as on 30th June, 1994;

(b) what is the total amount distributed under this scheme;

(c) whether it is a fact that a new voluntary agency of rural women is not eligible to obtain loan under this scheme; and

(d) whether Government will extend this scheme to the newly-formed women's organisations with a view to encourage women's organisations with a view to encourage women's organisations in the rural areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAMBHAI PATEL): (a) to (d) Under Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) Special safeguards have been provided for assistance in the form of subsidy and Bank credit to rural women. Accordingly, 40 per cent of the beneficiaries should belong to rural women. During 1993-94, 8.52 lakh women beneficiaries have been provided assistance under IRDP and 0.46 lakh women provided assistance during 94-95 (upto June 1994). During 1993-94, Rs. 1406 crores credit mobilised and Rs. 800.31 crores subsidy disbursed to all assisted families under IRDP.

Under IRDP a sub-scheme viz. Development of women and Children in Rrural Areas (DWCRA) and it is meant for all rural women below poverty line engaged in farm and non-farm development. So far, 12,36,105 women have been benefited under DWCRA scheme since inception in 1982-83.

It is proposed to extend all Districts under DWCRA during the 8th Plan.

Finance Commission for Panchayats

2431. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering the establishment of a Finance Commission for Panchayats;

(b) if so, the terms of reference thereof; and

(c) what steps are proposed to enhance financial viability of Panchayats?